UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Docket No. MI 0003-US/OH

To the Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of: Hiroshi SUMIDA, Kiyoteru ENOMOTO, and Masaki SATO corresponding to Japanese application No. 2000-48802, filed February 25, 2000,

entitled: MANGANESE DIOXIDE FOR LITHIUM PRIMARY BATTERY AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

Enclosed are:

- X 8 pages of specification.
- X 4 sheets of formal drawings.
- X a newly-executed declaration of the inventors.

a copy of an executed declaration of the inventor from prior application Serial No. , filed .

incorporation by reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied as indicated in the preceding box, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

- X an assignment of the invention to Mitsui Mining & Smelting Company, Ltd., including assignment cover sheet.
 - Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449.
 - copies of the Information Disclosure Statement citations.
- X preliminary amendment.
- X return receipt postcard (MPEP 503), specifically itemized.
 - applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.
- X a certified copy of the Japanese Priority Document.
- X other: Application Data Sheet .

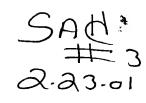
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A check in the amount of \$750 to cover the filing fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 in the name of Young & Thompson, as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Charge the amount of \$ as filing fee. Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional fee required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, during the pendency of this application. Charge the issue fee set in 37 CFR 1.18 at the mailing of the Notice of Allowance. Benoît Castel Registration No. 35,041 745 South 23rd Street Arlington, VA 22202 Telephone 703/521-2297								
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CLAIM FOR FOREIGN PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119 AND SUBMISSION OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Attached hereto is a certified copy of applicants' corresponding patent application filed in Japan on February 25, 2000, under No. 2000-48802.

Applicants herewith claim the benefit of priority filing date of the above-identified application for the above-entitled U.S. application under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 119.

Respectfully submitted,

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